

NOMINEES FORMALLY ACCEPT.

**LOW, GROUT AND FORNES ARE
NOW IN THE FIELD.**

**Low Assails the Absentee Landlord,
Crocker, in Replying to the Citizens'
Union's Notification of His Nomina-
tion—All Express Confidence in the
Success of the Anti-Tenement Ticket**

Seth Low was informed officially yesterday of his nomination for the office of Mayor by the Citizens' Union. He accepted the nomination and in the speech he made telling the committee that he would run on the platform adopted by the Union, he struck the keynote of the campaign, declaring that the Tammany administration must be turned out and in its place substituted an honest, clean

The members of the Citizens' Union Committee, at the head of whom was George Henry Bateman, the chairman of

the city convention, went to Mr. Low's house, Sixty-fourth street and Madison avenue, at 6 o'clock and met there all the men nominated on the ticket against Tammany Hall. President Edward M. Groot of the borough of Brooklyn, the candidate for Comptroller on the ticket, and Charles F. Springer, the candidate for President of

The Board of Aldermen, were invited to be Mr. Low's guests and all of them were there to meet the committee and be informed of their nomination.

The committee went into the large parlor of the house first and Mr. Low and the other nominees entered the room from the hall. Mr. Low introduced the others to the members of the committee, who

he knew and then the three candidates stood up together, facing Mr. Putnam. Mr. Putnam spoke first to Mr. Low. He said:

The responsibility has been placed upon me, as the spokesman of this committee, of tendering to you on behalf of the Citizens,

for the Majority. Our citizens feel that the issue to be determined at the next election is one of exceptional importance. This issue is the one that has the political and moral force in the state, in which the term is usually used. The matter at stake is the redemption of our city.

It is the purpose of our citizens to obtain an administration which shall be responsible, not to any one party, group or gang, but to the community as a whole. We propose

other, such measure of supervision as the other departments of the government as shall insure protection of the public in place of the protection of vice, in the Police Department, and in the District Attorney's office, the maintenance of clean streets on the standard established by Waring under the last citizens' administration; we expect an enforcement of the new tenement house

We may feel ourselves fortunate on securing for the head of our ticket and as the leader in this contest, a citizen whose exceptional qualifications have already been tested, and are thoroughly known to and cordially appreciated by the community.

Mr. Low listened attentively to the words of Mr. Putnam, and as soon as the speech was finished, the candidate stepped forward and replied. He spoke vigorously and very earnestly, in the style that be-

campaign of 1897. There was no doubt that he meant what he said, and the speech as he delivered it rang with the conviction of the man that he was doing a public duty in accepting the nomination. Here is what Mr. Low said in accepting the

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN: I count it a great honor that the Citizens' Union should ask me, a second time, to accept its nomination for the office of Mayor of New York. Much as I should have preferred to follow the lead of another, in this campaign, the circumstances attending the call constrain me to accept your summons, joined in, as they are, by other organizations whose common

I accept your nomination, with the more pleasure, because the Citizens' Union asks me to assume no new attitude in relation to the government of the city, but to contend once more for the principles which I have tried to illustrate for twenty years.

ceptions of what is necessary to secure good city administration; and all of which reflect a general and common purpose to wrest the control of the city from those who permit one man to govern it from his English home, like a second George III., and to make millions for himself and his friends out of his control of it, as though this imperial city of New

In contradistinction to the government we have, that is conducted primarily to make political leaders rich, the government we should strive to set up is one whose single and

interest and to make the conditions of life more tolerable for the multitudes to whom the name of New York, and not Wantage, conveys the idea of home.

Fortunately, the conference that suggested me for the nomination has been able to agree, also, upon a series of resolutions that define the basis of the common movement, to which I heartily subscribe. I do not feel called

the separate platform, further than to say, in regard to your own, that I am in hearty sympathy with the spirit of it, while reserving entire freedom of action as to details.

At an early day, and after I have been notified of the action of cooperating bodies, I shall hope to express my views on the issues of the campaign, in an identical letter addressed to all the organizations that take in

In the meanwhile let me remind you, and all who are ready to strive to redeem our city from its present disgrace, that this battle is to be won only by the utmost attention to details for our enemy commands great resources, and is the most thoroughly organized political body in the country. The first and most pressing duty is to bring out a large

There was a round of applause when Mr. Low finished and then Mr. Putnam spoke to Mr. Grout. He said:

city of New York. The ancient community of Brooklyn, now an important part of our greater city, has been described as playing the rôle in this association of the "better half" of Manhattan. It is recognized in well-ordered families as a wise course to give to the better half a large share in the direction of the household and in the control of

the direction of the finances of our greater city and the all-important service to be rendered by the Comptroller in the distribution of the resources of the city are to come into the hands of an experienced and trusted official like yourself. We may feel that in this nomination we have not only done much to secure for our ticket the sympathetic support of our

I appreciate fully the honor and the responsibility of the nomination and the office for which you have named me, and which I

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